

State of HAWAIIORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF STATE AGENCY

The Department of Social Services and Housing, established by Section 26-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is a multi-service organization. It is designated the State agency to plan, promulgate rules and administer economic assistance, social, rehabilitation and related programs on a state-wide basis. The Departmental Administration, of which the Office of the Director is part, provides administrative direction and controls for the coordinated operation of departmental programs. It furnishes staff services to aid operating divisions (described below) in carrying out and achieving their respective program objectives.

1. Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission

It provides for compensation to victims of certain crimes, or the dependents of deceased victims and for indemnification of private citizens for personal injury or property damage suffered in the prevention of crime or apprehension of a criminal.

2. Board of Paroles and Pardons

As the title of this organizational unit implies, its chief function is to establish rules and regulations under which a prisoner may be paroled and placed in the legal custody and control of the board until discharged. Attached to this board is an administrative unit which provides case histories of prisoners for board study and maintains contacts and records of paroled prisoners.

3. Hawaii Housing Authority

The primary function of this agency is to develop and manage public housing projects for families and elderly individuals whose income and resources are too limited to obtain adequate housing from the private rental market.

4. Corrections Division

In general, the functions of this division, through its six branches, are to provide for the care and custody of adult and youth offenders and to furnish multiple services all of which are directed toward the rehabilitation of such offenders.

5. Public Welfare Division

This division establishes programs and standards, and promulgates rules necessary to administer the income maintenance, food stamp and social service programs. Statewide administration and management of these programs are coordinated and maintained by eight branches of the division. Four of these are at the local level which provide direct aid and services to eligible individuals and families.

The division also develops plans with other public and private agencies for the prevention and treatment of conditions giving rise to public welfare problems.

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This division plans and administers, in accordance with the Federal Vocational Rehabilitation Act, a program of vocational rehabilitation of individuals whose physical, mental or visual disability constitute substantial barrier to employment. It provides diagnostic, restorative and other related medical services as well as training, guidance and employment placements.

7. Health Care Administration Division

This division is responsible for the medical assistance program in accordance with Title XIX of the Social Security Act and the provisions of Section 346-59, Hawaii Revised Statutes. It establishes standards, rules and works cooperatively with public and private providers of health care services to assure quality service to eligible recipients.

8. State Intake Service Center

The Intake Service Center provides intake assessment and supervision services to persons on pretrial status in Hawaii's criminal justice system. In cooperation with the Corrections Division, it also provides classification and related services to convicted misdemeanants and felons.

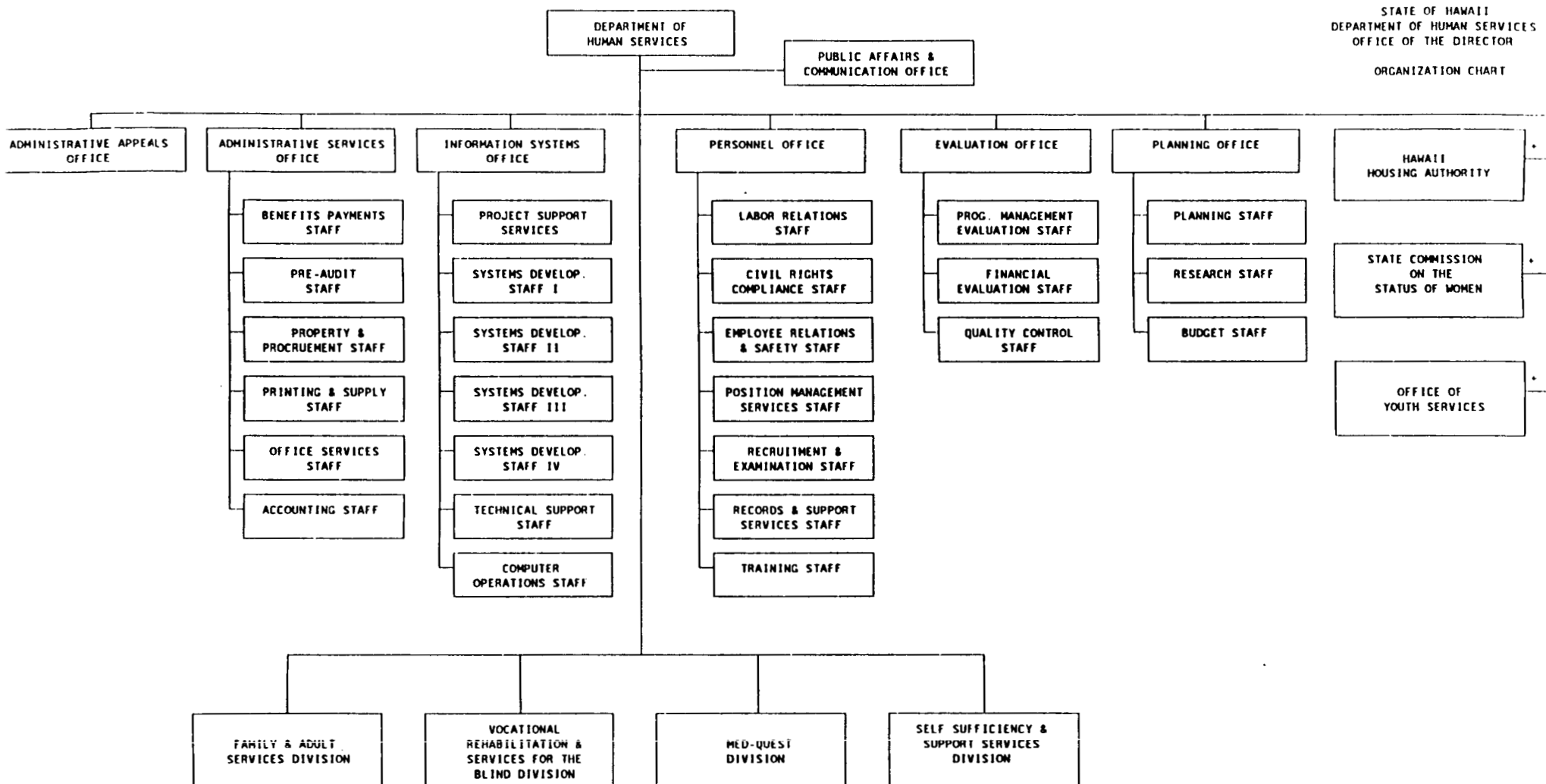
9. State Commission of Status of Women

This office serves as clearinghouse and coordinating body for activities and information relating to the status of women in Hawaii. It assists in the formulation of long-ranged goals and coordinates the research and planning activities relating to needs, problems and contributions of women.

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